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**TECHNICAL STANDARDS COMMITTEE "A" (TELECOMMUNICATIONS)**  
**MEETING #766**

**Summary of Decisions**

1. Handholes (Item "hh") – Utility Vault

Committee A accepted Utility Vault handholes for listing as follows:

**2.4**  
**3-04**  
**hh**

**hh - Handholes<sup>(1)(2)</sup>**

**Handholes for Copper Systems**

<b>Manufacturer</b>	<b>Catalog Number</b>
Utility Vault	3642-BL <sup>(4)(6)</sup> (2'8"x3'6"x4')
Utility Vault	25-TA (5'21/2"x2'3"x2'6")

(6)Only the 3642-2436P cover is RUS accepted for use with this handhole.

2. Transport Equipment (Item "te") – DragonWave, Inc.

Committee A accepted DragonWave's AirPair 50 and 100 Mbps 18 and 23 GHz licensed Point-to-Point Wireless Ethernet Bridges for listing on page 6.2 as follows:

**te – Transport Equipment**

<b><u>Manufacturer</u></b>	<b><u>Product</u></b>	<b><u>Interface Rate</u></b>	<b><u>RF Band</u></b>
DragonWave, Inc. Ethernet Bridges	AirPair 50 & 100 Wireless		18 & 23 GHz

## 3. Stored Program Digital Switching Equipment (Item "pc") – CopperCom

Committee A accepted CopperCom CSX 1100 Next Generation Switch for listing on page 6.3 as follows:

**pc - Stored Program Digital Switching Equipment**

<b><u>Manufacturer</u></b>	<b><u>Base</u></b>	<b><u>Accepted System Release</u><sup>(5)</sup></b>	<b><u>Acceptance Classification</u><sup>(1)</sup></b>	<b><u>RST(s)</u></b>
CopperCom	CSX 1100 <sup>(9)</sup>	2.1	A	CSX 1100

<sup>(9)</sup>Systems used for line access for this switch must be included in the *RUS List of Materials Acceptable for Use on Telecommunications Systems of RUS Borrowers* in category ae – Access Equipment.

## 4. Stored Program Digital Switching Equipment (Item "pc") – Nortel Networks, Inc.

Committee A granted Nortel Networks approval-to-bid for the DMS-10 Generic 505.10.

## 5. Stored Program Digital Switching Equipment (Item "pc") – Siemens Information and Communication Networks, Inc.

Committee A granted Siemens approval-to-bid for the EWSD Release 20E04 software generic.

**Miscellaneous**

- I. In response to a February 13, 2004 letter from Nortel Networks, Inc., Committee A sent Nortel Networks a February 18, 2004 letter acknowledging Nortel's discontinued manufacture of its S/DMS Transport Node and the subsequent deletion of this item from the Transport Equipment listing on page 6.2 of the List of Materials.

- II. In response to a February 10, 2004 letter from Channell Commercial Corporation, Committee A sent Channell a March 1, 2004 letter acknowledging modifications in the catalog designations of Channell's currently listed BMT pole mounted wire terminals and MRB/MRT filled IDC terminal blocks on pages 2.9 and 5.6, respectively, of the List of Materials. The March 1 letter also acknowledged revision of Channell's listing to appear as follows:

**Page 2.9****wt - Pole Mounted Wire Terminals****Manufacturer****Catalog Number****wt-a Unprotected Filled Blocks**

	<b><u>1-Pair</u></b>	<b><u>10-Pair</u></b>	<b><u>12-Pair</u></b>	<b><u>20-Pair</u></b>	<b><u>25-Pair</u></b>	<b><u>30-Pair</u></b>	<b><u>50-Pair</u></b>
Channell	--	--	--	--	BMT60925B7 Series	--	BMT650B7 Series

**Page 5.6****sh - Terminal Blocks for Use in Pedestals****Manufacturer****Catalog Number****sh-a Unprotected Filled IDC Terminal Blocks**

	<b><u>1-Pair (w/leads)</u></b>	<b><u>2-Pair (w/leads)</u></b>	<b><u>5-Pair (w/leads)</u></b>	<b><u>6-Pair (w/leads)</u></b>	<b><u>10-Pair (w/leads)</u></b>	<b><u>12-Pair (w/leads)</u></b>	<b><u>15-Pair (w/leads)</u></b>	<b><u>25-Pair (w/leads)</u></b>	<b><u>50-Pair (w/leads)</u></b>
Channell	--	--	--	MRB/CMR06 Series	MRT/CMR10 Series	--	--	MRT/CMR25 Series	--

- III. In response to a March 9, 2004 memo from our Outside Plant Branch, Committee A recently updated the Building Entrance Terminal listings on pages 5.1 and 5.1.1 and 5.1.2 by removing the note designated (2) and (7), respectively, and reading "Restricted to inside mounting" from the ni-b and ni-d subcategories, and associating the note to the entire category ("*Building Entrance Terminals (BET)-Protected*").

Sincerely,

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